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## IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS AMARILLO DIVISION

In re: McClain Feed Yard, Inc., et al,	§	
Debtors.	§ § §	Case No. 23-20084-swe7 Jointly Administered
In re: 2B Farms, a Texas General Partnership, et al,	§ § §	Case No. 23-50096-swe12 Jointly Administered
Debtors.	§ 8	
AgTexas Farm Credit Services, AgTexas PCA, and Thorlakson Diamond T Feeders, LP,	\$ \$ \$ \$	
Plaintiffs,	\$ 8 8	
Edward Dufurrena, et al,	8 8 8	
Intervenor-Plaintiffs, v.	§ §	Adversary No. 24-02007-swe Consolidated Adversary Proceeding

Rabo AgriFinance, LLC, et al,	\$ \$ \$
Defendants	\$ \$ \$
HTLF Bank, as successor to First Bank & Trust,	§ § §
Plaintiff, Counter-Defendant, and Cross-Claim Defendant,	<pre>\$ \$ \$ \$</pre>
v.	<b>§</b>
2B Farms, a Texas General Partnership, Terry M. Robinson, and Rebecca A. Robinson,	§ § §
Defendants, Counterclaim-Plaintiffs, Third-Party Counterclaim Defendants,	<ul><li>§ Adversary No. 24-02007-swe</li><li>§ Consolidated Adversary Proceeding</li></ul>
V.	•
Rabo AgriFinance, LLC and Mechanics Bank,	<pre>\$ \$ \$ \$ \$</pre>
Third-Party Defendants and, as to Rabo AgriFinance, LLC only, Third- Party Counterclaim Plaintiff and Cross-Claim Plaintiff.	<pre>\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$</pre>
HTLF Bank, as successor to First Bank & Trust,	<b>§</b> 8
Plaintiff and Counter-Defendant, v.	<pre>\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$</pre>
2B Farms, a Texas General Partnership, Terry M. Robinson, and Angela Robinson,	<ul> <li>§ Adversary No. 24-02007-swe</li> <li>§ Consolidated Adversary Proceeding</li> <li>§</li> </ul>
Defendants and Counter-Plaintiffs <sup>1</sup>	§ \$

<sup>1</sup> These claims were originally pending as Adversary No. 23-05003-rlj but were previously consolidated under Adversary No. 23-05002-rlj.

# HTLF'S RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFFS' AND INTERVENOR-PLAINTIFFS' EMERGENCY MOTION TO EXTEND DEADLINES TO RESPOND TO CERTAIN MOTIONS TO DISMISS AND TO CONTINUE ALL HEARINGS ON SAME

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE EVERETT:

Because Plaintiffs and Intervenors have already filed their Response to HTLF's Motion to Dismiss (the "Response") [Doc. 143], only their motion to continue hearings is applicable to HTLF.

The hearing on HTLF's motion to dismiss should not be continued because of the substantial overlap with the Trustee's Motion to Intervene and Motion to Enforce the Automatic Stay (the "Trustee's Motion") [Doc. 140].

In their Response, Plaintiffs and Intervenors base all of their claims against HTLF on the alleged check kite operated by the Debtors between the Debtors' own bank (Mechanics) and their customer's bank (HTLF). [Doc. 143, at *e.g.*, ¶¶ 8, 13, 26, 29, 42]

Plaintiffs and Intervenors argue that this check kite damaged them because it created overdrafts in the Debtors' accounts that the Debtors cured these overdrafts by collecting funds from Plaintiffs and Intervenors (among others). [Doc. 143 ¶ 8]

Plaintiffs and Intervenors' Response implicates the same issues of claim ownership raised by the Trustee's Motion. While other issues are also raised by HTLF's Motion, Counsel for HTLF anticipates that the majority of the time spent on HTLF's Motion will be on these same issues. The Motion to Continue should therefore be denied, at least as to HTLF's Motion.

Alternatively, HTLF's Motion should at least be heard as to the issue of whether Plaintiffs and Intervenors' damages and claims arising from the alleged check kite are their own damages and claims or belong to the Trustee.

#### **PRAYER**

For each of these reasons, HTLF respectfully requests that the Court deny Plaintiffs and Intervenors' Motion to Continue Hearings, at least as to HTLF's Motion to Dismiss.

Dated this 10th day of June 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that, on this 10th day of June 2025, I electronically filed the foregoing document with the Northern District of Texas through its filing system through and that a true and correct copy was served on the parties listed through the electronic case filing system by email as registered with the electronic case filing system:

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